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## Abstract

In an author's joint work with Hoshi and Mochizuki, we introduced the notion of TKND-AVKF-field [concerning the divisible subgroups of the groups of rational points of semi-abelian varieties] and obtained an anabelian Grothendieck Conjecture-type result for higher dimensional configuration spaces associated to hyperbolic curves over TKND-AVKF-fields. On the other hand, every concrete example of TKND-AVKF-field that appears in this joint work is a  $\times\mu$ -indivisible field [i.e., a field such that any divisible element of the multiplicative group of the field is a root of unity]. In the present paper, we construct new examples of TKND-AVKF-fields that are not  $\times\mu$ -indivisible.

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## Introduction

Throughout the present paper, we shall use the following notations and conventions: The notation  $\mathbb{Z}$  will be used to denote the additive group of integers. The notation  $\mathbb{Q}$  will be used to denote the field of rational numbers. We shall refer to a finite extension field of  $\mathbb{Q}$  as a *number field*. If  $p$  is a prime number, then the notation  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  (respectively,  $\mathbb{Q}_p$ ) will be used to

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denote the  $p$ -adic completion of  $\mathbb{Z}$  (respectively,  $\mathbb{Q}$ ). For any field  $F$  of characteristic 0, field extension  $F \subseteq E$ , abelian variety  $A$  over  $F$ , positive integer  $n$ , and prime number  $l$ , we shall write  $\overline{F}$  for the algebraic closure [determined up to isomorphisms] of  $F$ ;  $G_F \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{Gal}(\overline{F}/F)$ ;  $F^\times \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} F \setminus \{0\}$ ;  $\mu_n(F) \subseteq F^\times$  for the subgroup of  $n$ -th roots of unity  $\in F$ ;  $\zeta_n \in \overline{F}$  a primitive  $n$ -th root of unity;

$$\mu(F) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \bigcup_{m \geq 1} \mu_m(F), \quad F^{\times l^\infty} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \bigcap_{m \geq 1} (F^\times)^{l^m}, \quad F^{\times \infty} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \bigcap_{m \geq 1} (F^\times)^m,$$

where  $m$  ranges over the positive integers;  $F^{\text{ab}} (\subseteq \overline{F})$  for the maximal abelian extension field of  $F$ ;  $F_{\text{div}} (\subseteq \overline{F})$  for the field obtained by adjoining the divisible elements of the multiplicative groups of finite extension fields of  $F$  to  $\mathbb{Q}$ ;  $A(E)$  for the group of  $E$ -valued points of  $A$ ;  $A(E)_{\text{tor}} \subseteq A(E)$  for the subgroup of torsion points;  $A[l] \subseteq A(\overline{F})$  for the subgroup of  $l$ -torsion points;  $T_l A$  for the  $l$ -adic Tate module associated to  $A$ .

Let us recall the notions of  $\times\mu$ -indivisible field and TKND-AVKF-field for our purpose [cf. Definition 1.1, (i), (ii), (iii), (iv), (v), below]. Let  $F$  be a field of characteristic 0. Then we shall say that  $F$  is

- $\times\mu$ -indivisible if  $F^{\times \infty} \subseteq \mu(F)$ ;
- stably  $\times\mu$ -indivisible if, for every finite extension field  $E$  of  $F$ , it holds that  $E$  is  $\times\mu$ -indivisible;
- TKND [i.e., ‘‘torally Kummer-nondegenerate’’] if  $F_{\text{div}} \subseteq \overline{F}$  is an infinite field extension;
- AVKF [i.e., ‘‘abelian variety Kummer-faithful’’] if, for each abelian variety  $A$  over a finite extension field  $E$  of  $F$ , any divisible element  $\in A(E)$  is trivial;
- TKND-AVKF if  $F$  is both TKND and AVKF.

For instance, every subfield of the maximal cyclotomic extension of a number field is TKND-AVKF [cf. [10], Theorem 3.1, and its proof; [10], Remark 3.4.1]. In [2], we proved a certain anabelian Grothendieck Conjecture-type result for higher dimensional configuration spaces associated to hyperbolic curves over TKND-AVKF-fields. Therefore, from the viewpoint of anabelian geometry, it would be important to investigate examples of TKND-AVKF-fields that have not appeared in the literatures yet. On the other hand, we note that every TKND-AVKF-field that appears in [2] is stably  $\times\mu$ -indivisible. In the present paper, we construct new examples of TKND-AVKF fields that are not  $\times\mu$ -indivisible [cf. Corollary 2.5]:

**Theorem A.** *Let  $p$  be a prime number;  $K$  a number field. Write  $L (\subseteq \overline{\mathbb{Q}})$  for the field obtained by adjoining all roots of  $p$  to  $K$  [so  $L$  contains all roots of unity, and  $K \subseteq L$  is a nonabelian metabelian Galois extension]. Then  $L$  is not  $\times\mu$ -indivisible, and every subfield of  $L$  is TKND-AVKF.*

The key ingredient of the proof of Theorem A is the finiteness theorem of torsion points of abelian varieties [cf. Theorem 2.1] as follows:

**Theorem B.** *We maintain the notation of Theorem A. Let  $A$  be an abelian variety over  $L$ . Then, for each finite field extension  $L \subseteq M$  ( $\subseteq \overline{\mathbb{Q}}$ ), it holds that  $A(M)_{\text{tor}}$  is finite.*

We apply Ribet’s theorem concerning the finiteness of torsion points of abelian varieties valued in the maximal cyclotomic extension of a number field [cf. [3], Appendix, Theorem 1], together with Kubo-Taguchi’s lemma [cf. [4], Lemma 2.2, (i)], to prove Theorem B.

Finally, we also give an example of a stably  $\times\mu$ -indivisible field that is not AVKF [cf. Proposition 2.6]:

**Proposition C.**  $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_4)^{\text{ab}}$  ( $\subseteq \overline{\mathbb{Q}}$ ) is a stably  $\times\mu$ -indivisible field that is not AVKF.

Thus, one may conclude from Theorem A and Proposition C that the notion of AVKF-field is neither stronger nor weaker than the notion of stably  $\times\mu$ -indivisible field [cf. Remark 2.6.1; [2], Introduction].

## 1 Basic definitions

In the present section, we recall the definitions of TKND-AVKF-fields and stably  $\times\mu$ -indivisible fields:

**Definition 1.1** ([2], Definition 6.1, (iii); [2], Definition 6.6, (i), (ii), (iii); [10], Definition 3.3, (iv), (v)). Let  $F$  be a field of characteristic 0;  $p$  a prime number.

- (i) We shall say that  $F$  is  $p$ - $\times\mu$  (respectively,  $\times\mu$ )-*indivisible* if

$$F^{\times p^\infty} \subseteq \mu(F) \quad (\text{respectively, } F^{\times\infty} \subseteq \mu(F)).$$

- (ii) We shall say that  $F$  is *stably*  $p$ - $\times\mu$  (respectively, *stably*  $\times\mu$ )-*indivisible* if, for every finite extension field  $E$  of  $F$ , it holds that  $E$  is  $p$ - $\times\mu$  (respectively,  $\times\mu$ )-indivisible.
- (iii) If  $F$  satisfies the following condition, then we shall say that  $F$  is an *AVKF-field* [i.e., “abelian variety Kummer-faithful field”]:

Let  $A$  be an abelian variety over a finite extension field  $E$  of  $F$ . Then any divisible element  $\in A(E)$  is trivial.

If  $F$  is an AVKF-field, then we shall say that  $F$  is *AVKF*.

- (iv) If  $F_{\text{div}} \subseteq \overline{F}$  is an infinite field extension, then we shall say that  $F$  is a *TKND-field* [i.e., “torally Kummer-nondegenerate field”]. If  $F$  is a TKND-field, then we shall say that  $F$  is *TKND*.
- (v) If  $F$  is both a TKND-field and an AVKF-field, then we shall say that  $F$  is a *TKND-AVKF-field*.

*Remark 1.1.1.* We maintain the notation of Definition 1.1. Then it follows immediately from the various definitions involved that, if  $F$  is  $p$ - $\times\mu$ -indivisible (respectively,  $\times\mu$ -indivisible; stably  $p$ - $\times\mu$ -indivisible; stably  $\times\mu$ -indivisible; AVKF), then every subfield of  $F$  is also  $p$ - $\times\mu$ -indivisible (respectively,  $\times\mu$ -indivisible; stably  $p$ - $\times\mu$ -indivisible; stably  $\times\mu$ -indivisible; AVKF). On the other hand, a similar assertion for TKND does not hold. Indeed, suppose that  $F$  is a finitely generated transcendental extension field of an algebraically closed field  $M$  [of characteristic 0]. Then it follows immediately from a similar argument to the argument applied in [6], Remark 1.5.4, (i), together with the various definitions involved, that

$$M_{\text{div}} = M = F_{\text{div}} \subsetneq F \subsetneq \overline{F}.$$

Thus, since  $M \subseteq F$  is an infinite field extension, we conclude that  $F$  is TKND, and  $M$  is not TKND.

*Remark 1.1.2.* We maintain the notation of Definition 1.1. Then it follows immediately from the various definitions involved that  $E^{\times\infty} \subseteq E^{\times p^\infty}$ . Thus, if  $F$  is  $p$ - $\times\mu$ -indivisible (respectively, stably  $p$ - $\times\mu$ -indivisible), then  $F$  is  $\times\mu$ -indivisible (respectively, stably  $\times\mu$ -indivisible). On the other hand, if  $F$  is stably  $\times\mu$ -indivisible, then since  $\mathbb{Q}^{\text{ab}} \subseteq \overline{\mathbb{Q}}$  is an infinite field extension, it holds that  $F$  is TKND [cf. [2], Remark 6.6.2].

*Remark 1.1.3.* It follows immediately from the various definitions involved that the algebraically closed fields and real closed fields are trivial examples of non-TKND-fields. However, at the time of writing of the present paper, the author does not know to what extent non-TKND-fields exist.

**Proposition 1.2.** *Let  $F$  be an abelian extension field of a number field;  $p$  a prime number. Then  $F$  is stably  $p$ - $\times\mu$ -indivisible. In particular,  $F$  is stably  $\times\mu$ -indivisible [cf. Remark 1.1.2].*

*Proof.* Proposition 1.2 follows immediately from [10], Lemma D, (iv). □

## 2 Non- $\times\mu$ -indivisible TKND-AVKF-fields

In the present section, we construct new examples of TKND-AVKF-fields that are not  $\times\mu$ -indivisible. First, we begin by proving the finiteness theorem of torsion points of abelian varieties [cf. Theorem B], which is a key ingredient of our construction:

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let  $p$  be a prime number;  $K$  a number field. Write  $L (\subseteq \overline{\mathbb{Q}})$  for the field obtained by adjoining all roots of  $p$  to  $K$  [so  $L$  contains all roots of unity, and  $K \subseteq L$  is a nonabelian metabelian Galois extension]. Let  $A$  be an abelian variety over  $L$ . Then, for each finite field extension  $L \subseteq M (\subseteq \overline{\mathbb{Q}})$ , it holds that  $A(M)_{\text{tor}}$  is finite.*

*Proof.* First, by replacing  $K$  by a finite extension field of  $K$ , we may assume without loss of generality that

$$\zeta_{2p} \in K, \quad L = M,$$

and  $A$  descends to a semistable abelian variety  $A_0$  over  $K$  [cf. [1], Exposé IX, Théorème 3.6]. Write

$$K' \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \bigcup_{(m,p)=1} K(\mu_m(\overline{\mathbb{Q}})) \quad (\subseteq L),$$

where  $m$  ranges over the positive integers coprime to  $p$ . Fix a prime of  $K$  that lies over  $p$ , and write

$$I_p \subseteq G_{K'} \subseteq G_K$$

for the inertia subgroup [determined up to conjugacy] associated to the prime. In light of the definition of  $L$ , by replacing  $K$  by a finite extension field of  $K$  again, we may assume without loss of generality that the natural composite

$$I_p \subseteq G_{K'} \twoheadrightarrow \text{Gal}(L/K')$$

is *surjective*.

Next, we consider the mod  $l$  (respectively,  $l$ -adic) Galois representation associated to  $A$ . For each prime number  $l \neq p$ , let

$$W_l \subseteq A[l]^{G_L} \quad (\text{respectively, } W_l \subseteq (T_l A \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}_l} \mathbb{Q}_l)^{G_L} )$$

be an irreducible  $G_{K'}$ -submodule, and write

$$\rho_l : G_{K'} \rightarrow GL(W_l)$$

for the mod  $l$  (respectively,  $l$ -adic) Galois representation that arises from the semistable abelian variety  $A_0$  over  $K$ .

Next, we verify the following assertion:

Claim 2.1.A: Let  $l$  be a prime number such that  $l \neq p$ . Then it holds that  $W_l = W_l^{G_{K'}}$ .

Indeed, since  $W_l \subseteq A[l]^{G_L}$  (respectively,  $W_l \subseteq (T_l A \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}_l} \mathbb{Q}_l)^{G_L}$ ), it holds that  $\rho_l$  factors through the natural surjection  $G_{K'} \twoheadrightarrow \text{Gal}(L/K')$ . Note that

- $\text{Gal}(L/K')$  is an extension of pro-cyclic groups,
- $A_0$  is a semistable abelian variety over  $K$ ,
- $W_l$  is a finite dimensional Hausdorff topological vector space, and
- $\rho_l$  is an irreducible  $G_{K'}$ -representation.

Then since the composite  $I_p \subseteq G_{K'} \twoheadrightarrow \text{Gal}(L/K')$  is surjective, it follows immediately from [1], Exposé IX, Proposition 3.5, together with Lemma 2.2 below, that  $\rho_l(I_p) = \{1\}$ . Thus, we conclude that  $\rho_l(G_{K'}) = \{1\}$ , hence that  $W_l = W_l^{G_{K'}}$ . This completes the proof of Claim 2.1.A.

Next, we consider the  $p$ -adic representation associated to  $A$ . Let

$$V_p \subseteq (T_p A \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \mathbb{Q}_p)^{G_L}$$

be a nonzero irreducible  $G_{K'}$ -submodule. Write

$$\rho_p : G_{K'} \rightarrow GL(V_p)$$

for the  $p$ -adic Galois representation that arises from the semistable abelian variety  $A_0$  over  $K$ ;

$$L_p (\subseteq \overline{\mathbb{Q}})$$

for the field obtained by adjoining all  $p$ -power roots of  $p$  to  $K'$ . On the other hand, since  $\zeta_{2p} \in K$ , it holds that  $\rho_p$  factors as the composite of the natural surjection

$$G_{K'} \twoheadrightarrow \text{Gal}(L_p/K') \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{Z}_p(1) \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_p$$

— where “(1)” denotes the Tate twist — with a  $p$ -adic representation

$$\rho'_p : \mathbb{Z}_p(1) \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_p \rightarrow GL(V_p).$$

Next, we verify the following assertion, which is a special case of Kubo-Taguchi’s lemma [cf. [4], Lemma 2.2, (i)]:

Claim 2.1.B: There exists an open subgroup  $H \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_p(1) (\subseteq \mathbb{Z}_p(1) \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_p)$  such that  $V_p = V_p^H$ .

Indeed, let  $\sigma \in \mathbb{Z}_p(1) (\subseteq \mathbb{Z}_p(1) \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_p)$  be an element. Then, for each  $\tau \in \mathbb{Z}_p(1) \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_p$ , it holds that

$$\tau \sigma \tau^{-1} = \sigma^{\chi_p(\tau)},$$

where  $\chi_p : (G_{K'} \twoheadrightarrow) \mathbb{Z}_p(1) \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_p \twoheadrightarrow \mathbb{Z}_p \hookrightarrow \mathbb{Z}_p^\times$  denotes the  $p$ -adic cyclotomic character. Write  $d \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \dim_{\mathbb{Q}_p} V_p$ ;  $\{\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_d\}$  for the set of eigenvalues of  $\rho'_p(\sigma)$ . Let  $n$  be a positive integer such that  $1 + p^n \in \text{Im}(\chi_p)$ . Then it follows immediately from the equality in the above display that

$$\{\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_d\} = \{\lambda_1^{1+p^n}, \dots, \lambda_d^{1+p^n}\}.$$

Write

$$t \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \prod_{1 \leq i \leq d} (1 + p^n)^i - 1; \quad H \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} t\mathbb{Z}_p(1).$$

Then it holds that  $\lambda_i^t = 1$  for each positive integer  $i$  such that  $1 \leq i \leq d$ . In particular, since  $t$  is independent of the choice of  $\sigma$ , every element  $\in \rho'_p(H)$  is *unipotent*. Note that

- $H \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_p(1) \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_p$  is a pro-cyclic normal closed subgroup,
- $V_p$  is a finite dimensional Hausdorff topological vector space, and
- $\rho'_p$  is an irreducible  $\mathbb{Z}_p(1) \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_p$ -representation.

Thus, we conclude from Lemma 2.2 below that  $V_p^H = V_p$ . This completes the proof of Claim 2.1.B.

Finally, we verify that  $A(L)_{\text{tor}}$  is finite. It follows immediately from [the resp'd portion of] Claim 2.1.A and Claim 2.1.B, together with [3], Appendix, Theorem 3, that, for each prime number  $l$ , the subgroup of  $l$ -power torsion points of  $A(L)$  is finite. On the other hand, it follows immediately from [the non- resp'd portion of] Claim 2.1.A, together with [3], Appendix, Theorem 2, that, for all but finitely many prime numbers  $l$ , the subgroup of  $l$ -torsion points of  $A(L)$  is trivial. Thus, we conclude that  $A(L)_{\text{tor}}$  is finite. This completes the proof of Theorem 2.1.  $\square$

**Lemma 2.2.** *Let  $G$  be a profinite group;  $H \subseteq G$  a pro-cyclic normal closed subgroup;  $V$  a finite dimensional irreducible Hausdorff topological  $G$ -vector space. Then, if the action of a topological generator of  $H$  on  $V$  is unipotent, then the action of  $H$  on  $V$  [obtained by restricting the action of  $G$  on  $V$ ] is trivial.*

*Proof.* Let  $\sigma \in H$  be a topological generator whose action on  $V$  is unipotent. Write

$$V^H \subseteq V, \quad V^\sigma \subseteq V$$

for the invariant subspaces associated to  $H$ ,  $\sigma$ , respectively. Note that our assumptions that

- $V$  is a Hausdorff topological vector space, and
- $\sigma \in H$  is a topological generator

imply that  $V^H = V^\sigma$ . Moreover, since the action of  $\sigma$  on the finite dimensional vector space  $V$  is unipotent, if  $V \neq \{0\}$ , then

$$V^H = V^\sigma \neq \{0\}.$$

On the other hand, observe that since  $H \subseteq G$  is a normal closed subgroup, the action of  $G$  on  $V$  induces a natural action of  $G$  on the invariant subspace  $V^H \subseteq V$ . Thus, we conclude from our assumption that  $V$  is an irreducible topological  $G$ -vector space that  $V^H = V$ . This completes the proof of Lemma 2.2.  $\square$

**Proposition 2.3.** *Let  $p$  be a prime number;  $A$  a mixed characteristic Noetherian local domain of residue characteristic  $p$ ;  $F$  an abelian extension field of the field of fractions  $K$  of  $A$ ;  $f \in F$  an element. Write  $f^{\frac{1}{\infty}} \subseteq \overline{F}$  for the subset of all roots of  $f$ ;  $E (\subseteq \overline{F})$  for the field obtained by adjoining  $f^{\frac{1}{\infty}}$  to  $F$ . Then every subfield of  $E$  is TKND.*



*Proof.* First, by replacing  $K, F$ , by extension fields of  $K, F$ , respectively, we may assume without loss of generality that

- $f \in K$ ,
- $K$  is a mixed characteristic complete discrete valuation field whose residue field is an algebraically closed field of characteristic  $p$ , and
- $K^{\text{tm}}(\mu(\overline{F})) \subseteq F$ , where  $K \subseteq K^{\text{tm}}(\subseteq \overline{F})$  denotes the maximal tame extension [so, if  $F \subsetneq E$ , then the field extension  $F \subseteq E$  is a  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -extension].

Moreover, by replacing  $f$  by the multiple of the reciprocal of  $f$  with a suitable Teichmüller representative  $\in K$ , if necessary, we may assume without loss of generality that

$$f \in K \cap (\mathfrak{m}_F \cup 1 + \mathfrak{m}_F),$$

where  $\mathfrak{m}_F$  denotes the maximal ideal of the ring of integers of the Henselian valuation field  $F$ .

Next, we verify the following assertion:

Claim 2.3.A: For each finite field extension  $F \subseteq F^\dagger$ , it holds that  $F^{\times p^\infty} = (F^\dagger)^{\times p^\infty}$ .

Indeed, Claim 2.3.A follows immediately from [5], Lemmas 2.5, 2.6, together with our assumptions on  $K$ .

Here, we consider the following commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & F^\times & \longrightarrow & E^\times \\ & & \downarrow \kappa_F & & \downarrow \kappa_E \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & \text{Hom}(\text{Gal}(E/F), \mathbb{Z}_p) & \longrightarrow & \text{Hom}(G_F, \mathbb{Z}_p) \longrightarrow \text{Hom}(G_E, \mathbb{Z}_p), \end{array}$$

where the upper horizontal arrow denotes the natural injection; the vertical arrows  $\kappa_F$  and  $\kappa_E$  denote the Kummer maps; the lower horizontal sequence denotes the natural exact sequence. Note that  $\text{Ker}(\kappa_F) = F^{\times p^\infty}$ , and  $\text{Ker}(\kappa_E) = E^{\times p^\infty}$ . Write

$$P_f \subseteq E$$

for the subset consisting of the powers of elements  $\in f^{\frac{1}{\infty}} (\subseteq E)$ .

Next, we verify the following assertion:

Claim 2.3.B: Suppose that  $f \in 1 + \mathfrak{m}_F$  (respectively,  $f \in \mathfrak{m}_F$ ). Then it holds that

$$E^{\times p^\infty} \subseteq F^{\times p^\infty} \cdot f^{\mathbb{Z}_p} \cdot P_f \quad (\text{respectively, } E^{\times p^\infty} \subseteq F^{\times p^\infty} \cdot P_f).$$

Indeed, if  $F = E$ , then we have nothing to prove. Thus, it suffices to consider the case where  $F \subsetneq E$  [so  $f \notin F^{\times p^\infty}$ ]. Let  $g \in E^{\times p^\infty}$  be an element. In light of Claim 2.3.A, by replacing

$K$  by a finite extension field of  $K$ , we may assume without loss of generality that  $g \in F^\times$ . Then since  $f, g \in F \cap E^{\times p^\infty}$ , it follows from the above commutative diagram that

$$\kappa_F(f), \kappa_F(g) \in \text{Hom}(\text{Gal}(E/F), \mathbb{Z}_p) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{Z}_p.$$

Note that since  $f \notin F^{\times p^\infty}$ , it holds that  $\kappa_F(f) \neq 0$ . Thus, we conclude that there exist  $a \in \mathbb{Z}_p$  (respectively,  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ ) and  $b \in p^{\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}}$  [where  $\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$  denotes the set of nonnegative integers] such that

$$\kappa_F(f^a) = \kappa_F(g^b).$$

This equality, together with our assumption that  $\mu(\overline{F}) \subseteq F$ , immediately implies that

$$g \in F^{\times p^\infty} \cdot f^{\mathbb{Z}_p} \cdot P_f \quad (\text{respectively, } g \in F^{\times p^\infty} \cdot P_f).$$

This completes the proof of Claim 2.3.B.

Next, we verify the following assertion:

Claim 2.3.C: It holds that

$$\bigcup_{E \subseteq E^\dagger} (E^\dagger)^{\times p^\infty} \subseteq E,$$

where  $E \subseteq E^\dagger (\subseteq \overline{F})$  ranges over the finite field extensions of  $E$ .

Indeed, Claim 2.3.C follows immediately from Claims 2.3.A, 2.3.B.

Next, we verify the following assertion:

Claim 2.3.D:  $E \cap \overline{\mathbb{Q}} \subseteq \overline{\mathbb{Q}}$  is an infinite field extension.

Indeed, observe that the image of the natural homomorphism  $G_K \rightarrow G_{\mathbb{Q}}$  [determined up to composition with inner automorphisms] is isomorphic to the absolute Galois group  $G$  of a mixed characteristic Henselian discrete valuation field whose residue field is isomorphic to the algebraic closure of a finite field. Then since  $G$  is torsion-free [cf. Lemma 2.4, below], it holds that the image of the composite  $G_E \subseteq G_K \rightarrow G_{\mathbb{Q}}$  is infinite. Thus, we conclude that  $E \cap \overline{\mathbb{Q}} \subseteq \overline{\mathbb{Q}}$  is an infinite field extension. This completes the proof of Claim 2.3.D.

Finally, let  $M \subseteq E$  be a subfield. Then it follows immediately from Claim 2.3.C that

$$\bigcup_{M \subseteq M^\dagger} (M^\dagger)^{\times p^\infty} \subseteq E,$$

where  $M \subseteq M^\dagger (\subseteq \overline{F})$  ranges over the finite field extensions of  $M$ . On the other hand, it follows immediately from Claim 2.3.D that  $E \cap \overline{M} \subseteq \overline{M}$  is an infinite field extension. Thus, we conclude that  $M$  is TKND. This completes the proof of Proposition 2.3.  $\square$

**Lemma 2.4.** *Let  $K$  be a Henselian discrete valuation field with algebraically closed residues. Then it holds that  $G_K$  is torsion-free.*

*Proof.* Lemma 2.4 follows immediately from the fact that the cohomological dimension of  $G_K$  is equal to 1 [cf. [5], Lemma 3.1; [8], Chapter II, §3], hence, in particular, *finite*.  $\square$

Next, we apply Theorem 2.1 and Proposition 2.3 to prove our main result:

**Corollary 2.5.** *In the notation of Theorem 2.1, it holds that  $L$  is not a  $\times\mu$ -indivisible field, and every subfield of  $L$  is a TKND-AVKF-field.*

*Proof.* First, observe that  $p$  is divisible in  $L$ . Then since  $p \notin \mu(L)$ , it holds that  $L$  is not  $\times\mu$ -indivisible. Next, observe that  $L$  coincides with the field obtained by adjoining all roots of  $p$  to the maximal cyclotomic extension of  $K$ . Then it follows immediately from Proposition 2.3 that every subfield of  $L$  is TKND. Finally, we conclude from Theorem 2.1, together with [7], Proposition 7, that  $L$  is AVKF, hence that every subfield of  $L$  is AVKF [cf. Remark 1.1.1]. This completes the proof of Corollary 2.5.  $\square$

*Remark 2.5.1.* We maintain the notation of Corollary 2.5. Then it follows from Corollary 2.5 that every subfield of  $L$  satisfies the assumptions of various assertions in [2] [especially, [2], Theorems F, G].

Finally, we observe that there exists an example of a stably  $\times\mu$ -indivisible field that is not AVKF:

**Proposition 2.6.** *Write  $K \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathbb{Q}(\zeta_4)$ . Then  $K^{\text{ab}} (\subseteq \overline{\mathbb{Q}})$  is a stably  $\times\mu$ -indivisible field that is not AVKF.*

*Proof.* First, it follows immediately from Proposition 1.2 that  $K^{\text{ab}}$  is stably  $\times\mu$ -indivisible. Next, write  $E$  for the elliptic curve over  $K$  defined by the equation  $y^2z = x^3 + xz^2$ ;  $K \subseteq L (\subseteq \overline{\mathbb{Q}})$  for the Galois extension obtained by adjoining the coordinates of all torsion points of  $E$  to  $K$ . Then it follows from the theory of complex multiplication that  $L \subseteq K^{\text{ab}}$  [cf. [9], Theorem 2.3]. Thus, we conclude that all torsion points are divisible in  $E(K^{\text{ab}})$ , hence, in particular, that  $K^{\text{ab}}$  is not AVKF. This completes the proof of Proposition 2.6.  $\square$

*Remark 2.6.1.* Thus, it follows from Corollary 2.5 and Proposition 2.6 that the notion of AVKF-field is neither stronger nor weaker than the notion of stably  $\times\mu$ -indivisible field. In particular, there exists no evident implication between [2], Corollary 6.5, (iii), and [10], Corollary E [cf. [2], Introduction].

*Remark 2.6.2.* On the other hand, observe that the field “ $L$ ” that appears in Corollary 2.5 is a metabelian extension field of a number field, and the proof of Corollary 2.5 depends heavily on this property. Thus, one may pose the following question:

Question: Does there exist a subfield  $L \subseteq \overline{\mathbb{Q}}$  such that

- $L$  is a TKND-AVKF-field that is not  $\times\mu$ -indivisible;
- for any number field  $K$ , the field  $L$  may not be realized as a metabelian Galois extension field of  $K$ .

However, at the time of writing of the present paper, the author does not know whether the answer of this question is affirmative or not.

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